

In the interest of a democratic and free society it is imperative that the FCC maintain, nay, return to its' longstanding policies against media monopolies. There is no freedom in a choice between two identical options. When one entity owns multiple media outlets in a market, there are no media options. Without a robust spectrum of independent media, the citizens of the republic are deprived of a key element of the decision-making process - they are deprived of the basis upon which each voter formulates his or her vote. The very root of our consitutional entitlement to a say in the affairs of the nation is directly degraded.

Multiple ownership interests are the only method of ensuring a broad spectrum of news, opinion and entertainment. Please uphold the franchise granted to the federal government by its' citizens - and work on maintaining and strenghtening the full span of media voices ensured by restricting monopolistic ownership in markets.